



**KNITTING PATTERN** 

# Lavender

**Sweater** 

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#### **MATERIALS**

## **Friends Extra Fine Merino**

5 (6) 7 (8) 9 (9) skeins of Off White (02) 1 (1) 1 (1) 1 (1) skein of Lavender (73) for the lavender flowers 1 (1) 1 (1) 1 (1) skein of Sage (114) for the stems and leaves

Circular needles 3.0 mm and 3.5 mm, 40 cm, and 60 or 80 cm
For the sleeves knit using double pointed needles, Addi Crazy needles 3.0 mm and 3.50 mm or using the Magic Loop technique.

6 stitch markers Stitch holder Darning needle

## YARN QUALITY

Friends Extra Fine Merino, Hobbii 100% Wool 50 g = 165 m

#### **GAUGE**

 $10 \times 10 \text{ cm} (4'' \times 4'') = 26 \text{ sts } \times 34 \text{ r}$ 

#### SIZE

XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL)

#### **MEASUREMENTS**

Chest circumference: 90 (96) 102 (108) 114 (120) cm/35.4 (37.8) 40.2 (42.5) 44.9 (47.2) inches
Total length: Approx. 58 (60) 62 (66) 67 (67) cm/22.8 (23.6) 24.4 (26) 26.4 (26.4) inches

#### PATTERN INFORMATION

For many of us, lavender is the essence of summer, sun, and Provence.
Just saying the word lavender; you can almost smell them!

The lavender Sweater is worked top-down using Friends Extra Fine Merino with needles 3.0 mm and 3.5 mm. For the sleeves you can use the magic loop method if you wish. The neck is shaped using short rows, the sweater is shaped in the sides and features a longer back panel, also worked using short rows. All details added to secure an ideal fit. The lavender yoke in Fair Isle with increases is worked according to the chart at the bottom of the pattern.

I recommend reading through the entire pattern and making a gauge swatch before starting the sweater itself. This will give you an overview of the pattern as well as your gauge.

The pattern is best suited for the very experienced knitter.

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## **QUESTIONS**

If you have any questions regarding this pattern, please feel free to email us at <a href="mailto:support@hobbii.com">support@hobbii.com</a>

Please make sure to include the pattern's name and number.

Happy Crafting!



# **Pattern**







## **ABBREVIATIONS**

K = knit

P = purl

Tbl = through back loop

St(s) = stitch(es)

Inc = increase(s)

M1L = make one left (left-leaning increase)

M1R = make one right (right-leaning increase)

Dec= decrease(s)

Stm = stitch marker

Sth = stitch holder

Tog = together

St st = stockinette stitch

Beg = beginning

CO = cast on

## **TIPS AND INFO**

The Lavender sweater is designed with a positive ease of 5 cm (2 inches). This means you want to choose a size approx. 5 cm (2") larger than your own chest circumference.

The Extra Fine Merino is a relatively elastic yarn quality, which will fall nicely around your body without seeming tight, therefore it is important not to pull the yarn (the strands on the wrong side of work) when working the Fair Isle pattern across the yoke.

If you tend to have a tight gauge, it can be helpful to choose a needle half a size larger for the yoke, and if you tend to knit loosely, you can use a needle half a size smaller.

## "German Short Rows"

You will knit until you reach the place where you will turn. Turn work and slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in front. Move the working yarn up and back (away from yourself), pulling it slightly until it shows 2 'legs' creating a 'double stitch'. Continue even. On the next row, you will work the double stitch as one stitch, knit or purl as it appears.



Knitting through the back loop means inserting the tip of the right-hand needle front to back into the back loop instead of the front loop as for a regular knit stitch.

Increases are worked like this to be either left (M1L) or right (M1R) leaning:

#### Make one left (M1L)

Pick up the vertical bar between two sts by inserting the left-hand needle from front to back, under the bar between the stitches. Knit this bar through the back loop.

## Make one right (M1R)

Pick up the vertical bar between two sts by inserting the left-hand needle from back to front, under the bar between the stitches. Knit this bar through the front loop.

#### **NECK/YOKE/BODY**

## Ribbing

Using circular needles size 3.0 mm, 40 cm, CO 80 (84) 88 (92) 96 (100) sts and work 8 cm/3.2 inches of ribbing, k1, p1. Now fold your work with wrong sides touching and work the CO-edge together with the stitches on your needles like this: knit the first stitch on your needle together with the corresponding stitch on the CO-edge. Knit the second stitch on the needle together with the corresponding stitch on the CO-edge. Continue around like this. You will now have a nice, double-layered collar in rib stitch.

## Yoke and shaping the neck using GSR

Work one round in stockinette stitch, while changing to needles 3.5 mm.

On the next round you will increase in each stitch by picking up the bar between 2 sts and knitting it through the back loop.

Make sure you pull the yarn a little tight to avoid holes when increasing. You will now have 160 (168) 176 (184) 192 (200) sts on your round.

Place a stitch marker in the first st, which will be your beg of round and in the 81. (85.) 89. (93.) 97. (101.) st.

Work 2 rounds of st st and then shape the neck using GSR like this:

mark the middle 16 sts of the back neck with 2 new stm and work GSR. Knit until left stm, turn, make one GSR and purl 14 sts back. Turn, make one GSR and knit back. Continue like this, working 10 sts more on both sides of stm every time you turn, a total of 4 times. End with one entire round of st st and stop at the beg of round.

Remove the 2 extra markers. Continue in st st for another 2 (3) 4 (5) 6 (6) cm, and then work the lavender pattern across the yoke according to the chart on page 6.

Once the yoke is finished you will have 360 (378) 396 (414) 432 (450) sts on your round. It is recommended to try on the sweater before dividing the body and sleeves to see if you want the yoke to be longer. If this is the case, you will continue working with the main color until you reach the desired length.

## **Body and longer back panel using GSR**

You will now divide for body and sleeves like this: Place 70 (74) 78 (82) 86 (90) sts for the left sleeve on a sth, CO 8 (9) 8 (9) 8 (9) new sts, knit 110 (115) 120 (125) 130 (135) sts across the front panel, place 70 (74) 78 (82) 86 (90) sts for the right sleeve on a stitch holder, CO 8 (9) 8 (9) new sts, knit 110 (115) 120 (125) 130 (135) sts across the back panel. Body and sleeves have now been separated and you will have 236 (248) 256 (268) 276 (288) sts for the body.



Your beg of round will now be at the 5. Of the newly CO sts under the left sleeve, where you will place a st m. Place another marker in the opposite side of work, thus marking the sides to later shape the waist.

After working 5 cm (2") from where work was divided, you will decrease for the waist like this: k1, k2tog, knit until 3 sts before next marker, k2tog tbl, k1, k2tog, knit until 2 sts before stm and k2tog tbl. You have now decreased 4 sts.

Work a total of three rounds with decreases each with 3 (3) 4 (4) 5 (5) cm/ 1.2 (1.2) 1.6 (1.6) 2 (2) inches between

Work 4 (4) 4 (5) 5 (5) cm of st st and then work 3 rounds of increases, with the same distance between as for the decreases Like this: k1, M1R, knit until 1 st before marker, M1L, k1, M1R, knit until 1 st before next marker, M1L. You will now once more have 236 (248) 256 (268) 276 (288) sts around.

**NOTE:** If you prefer, you can choose to not shape the waist and simply omit the decreases and increases.

Knit until work measures approx. 30 (32) 34 (38) 40 cm/ 11.8 (12.6) 13.4 (15) 15.8 inches from the CO sts under the sleeve or until desired length.

If you want your sweater to be slightly longer at the back, you can now work GSR like this: mark the middle 16 sts of the back neck with 2 new stm and work GSR. Knit until left stm, turn, make one GSR and purl 14 sts back. Turn, make one GSR and knit back. Continue like this, working 10 sts more on each side of stm every time you turn, a total of 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) times. End with one entire round of st st and stop at the beg of round.

Change to needles 3 mm and work 5 (5) 6 (6) 6 (6) cm of k1, p1 ribbing. Bind off loosely in rib stitch.

#### **SLEEVES**

Place the 70 (74) 78 (82) 86 (90) sts from the left sleeve on a set of 3.5 mm circular needles, 40 cm. Pick up and knit 8 new sts under the sleeve. You will pick up the new sts between the sts and **not** in the sts. This way the 'seam' will be almost invisible.

You will now have 78 (82) 86 (90) 94 (98) sts for the sleeve. Place a stm in the 5. Of the picked up sts. This is your beg of round.

knit 14 rounds, then start working decreases like this: k1, k2tog, knit until 2 sts before stm and k2tog tbl.

Work 7 rounds of st st and make one more round with decreases as described above. You will decrease a total of 14 times, until you have 50 (54) 58 (62) 66 (70) sts left on your round.

After the final dec, you will work 7 rounds of st st or until desired length, and the evenly decreasing to 40 (42) 46 (48) 52 (54) sts.

Change to needles 3 mm and work 6 (6) 6 (6) 6 (6) cm of k1, p1 ribbing. Bond off loosely in rib stitch.

Make the other sleeve the same way.

## FINISHING AND WASHING

Discreetly weave in all loose ends.

Wash your sweater in a good wool detergent by hand or machine wash on the wool setting with a maximum of 400 RPM.



Stretch the sweater into shape on a towel and let dry flat. If you wish you can also steam block your work after it is dry to make the stitches fall into place and create an even look.

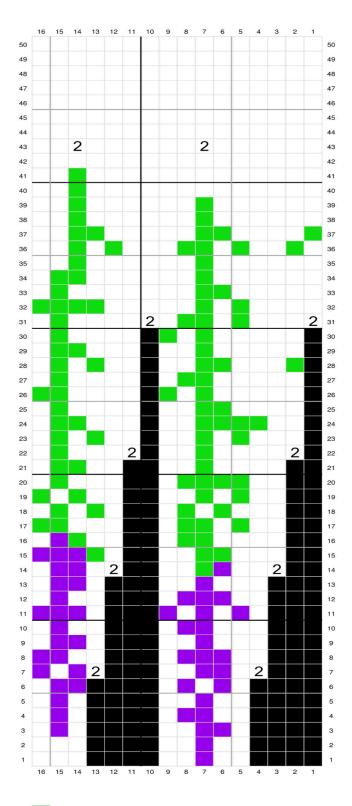
## **Enjoy!**

Love

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- Contrasting color 2 stems/leaves
- Contrasting color 1 lavender
- Main color
- No stitch yet
- incr one st by picking up the bar between 2 sts and knitting it through the back loop



